

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Claim Amendment Summary

Claims pending

- Before this Amendment: Claims 1-6 and 8-20.
- After this Amendment: Claims 1-6 and 8-21.

Non-Elected, Canceled, or Withdrawn claims: 7.

Amended claims: 1-6 and 8-14.

New claims: 21.

Claims:

1. **(Currently Amended)** A client device having a computer-readable storage medium having computer-executable components, comprising: a code host mechanism within the client device;
a body of code within the client device, wherein:
that in the event that the body of code includes a public-static function call, the code host mechanism that operates to cause the body of code to be hosted in a first hosting environment;[[,]]
in the event that the body of code ~~absence of~~ does not include the public-static function call, then the code host mechanism operates being operative to cause the body of code to be hosted in a second hosting environment.

2. **(Currently Amended)** The client device having a computer-readable storage medium of claim 1, wherein the body of code comprises an executable file.

3. **(Currently Amended)** The client device having a computer-readable storage medium of claim 1, wherein the function, when compiled, results in a byte signature within an executable code, the byte signature being indicative of the function call.

4. **(Currently Amended)** The client device having a computer-readable storage medium of claim 1, herein the first hosting environment comprises a browser hosting environment.

5. **(Currently Amended)** The client device having a computer-readable storage medium of claim 4, wherein the second hosting environment comprises a standalone hosting environment

6. **(Currently Amended)** The client device having a computer-readable storage medium of claim 1, wherein the first hosting environment comprises a standalone hosting environment.

7. **(Canceled)**

8. **(Currently Amended)** The computer-readable medium of claim [[1]] 21, wherein the public static function is called from within a public class included in the body of code.

9. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable storage medium having computer-executable components, comprising:

an executable file within a client device, comprising:

a first portion including computer-executable instructions operative for performing operations; and

a second portion including a ~~public-static~~ function call which, when invoked, is operative to cause the executable file to be executed in an alternative hosting environment.

10. (Currently Amended) The computer-readable storage medium recited in claim 9, wherein failing to invoke the public static function call is operative to cause the executable file to be executed in a default hosting environment.

11. (Currently Amended) The computer-readable storage medium recited in claim 10, wherein the alternative hosting environment comprises a browser hosted environment and the default hosting environment comprises a standalone hosting environment.

12. (Currently Amended) The computer-readable storage medium recited in claim 9, wherein the alternative hosting environment comprises a browser hosted environment.

13. (Currently Amended) The computer-readable storage medium recited in claim 9, wherein the alternative hosting environment comprises a standalone hosting environment.

14. (Currently Amended) A computer-executable method of hosting an executable file in a hosting environment, the method comprising:

receiving, by a client computing device, the executable file from a server;

providing a shell environment within the client computing device that is operative to launch the executable file in a default hosting environment common to other executable files; and

providing a ~~public static~~ function that, if called by the executable file, is operative to cause the executable file to be launched in an alternative hosting environment.

15. (Original) The computer-executable method recited in claim 14, wherein the default hosting environment comprises a standalone hosting environment.

16. (Original) The computer-executable method recited in claim 15, wherein the alternative hosting environment comprises a browser hosted environment.

17. (Original) The computer-executable method recited in claim 14, wherein the default hosting environment comprises a browser hosted environment.

18. (Original) The computer-executable method recited in claim 17, wherein the alternative hosting environment comprises a standalone hosting environment.

19. (Original) The computer-executable method recited in claim 14, wherein the function comprises a public static function.

20. (Previously Presented) The computer-executable method recited in claim 14, wherein the executable file is configured for execution in either the default hosting environment or the alternative hosting environment, and wherein a determination of whether to launch the executable file in either the default hosting environment or the alternative hosting environment is based substantially exclusively on the executable file being configured to call the function.

21. (New) The client device having a computer-readable storage medium of claim 1, wherein the function comprises a public static function that, when called, results in the body of code being hosted in the first hosting environment.